

THE FOVNDATION OF THE VNIVERSITIE OF OXFORD.

With a Catalogue of the principall Founders and speciall Benefactors of all the Colledges, and the totall number of Students, Magistrates and Officers therein being, Anno 1622.

The the Right Honorable and his singular good Lord, THOMAS, now Lord Windsor of Bradenham: Ioh. Scot wifheth all increase of felicitie.



UNIVERSI-
TIE COL.
872.



BALLIOL.
COLL.
1262.



MERTON
COLL.
1274.



EXCESTER
COLL.
1316.



MAGDALENE
COLL.
1458.

About the time of the foundation of the Vniversitie of Oxford, the ancient Historians haue diversly written; some affirme that it was founded when the most ancient Britaines first inhabited this Iland, and that from Greklade, a Towne in Wiltshire, this Academicke was translated to Oxford, which some will haue called Ouseford from the Riuier of Ouse (by the Latines called Uis which giveth name to the adioyning Iland Ouseney.) Others say it was founded when the Cittie of Oxford was first builded many yeeres before the Incarnation of our Saviour Christ. Others say, it was builded or at the least restored by King Vortiger. But the chiefe conclude and agree, that Elfred, of some called Alured, King of the West-Saxons, about the yeere 872, was the chiefe and principall Founder therof, and that he caused to be erected therein three Colledges or publike Schooles, for the teaching of Grammar, Philosophie, and Diuinite, finding thither his owne sonne Ethelward. Since which time, by reason of dauers incursions and continual warres which were daily in this Land betwix the Britaines, Romans, Saxons, Kings of this Heptarchie, Danes and Normans, the Light and Glorie of this Academicke, was not only of old much eclipsed, but even since the Conquest (the Barons warres) also obscured and defaced. And it is most certaine, as the destrutions were many, so the restorations thereof shortly infiued by one Prince or other. So that at length recovering the Fame and Digntie which it new holdeth amongst other Christian Academys of Europe, it is now worthily reputed one of the most famous Vniversities in the world. The ancient and noble Familiie of the Veres hauing long time beene Earles thereof and still remayne. And howsover the Hales, Halls, Innes, Schooles, and Religious houses, whereof this Vniverstie since the Conquest did consist, and which now are wholly defaced or in pari converted into some of the present Colledges, were for their number and for the number of Students in them, much aboue all that now are extant, yet at this present there are 17. goodly Colledges and Houses erected, maintained with the Lands and Reuenues of their Founders, and eight Halls, that Students liue in at their owne charge (not hauing endowment of Land to maintayne them) besides there is a publike Schoole and Librarie, whose fabrike, by the bountie of many roiall, noble, and religious persons, was of late yeeres finished, which no Vniverstie in the world can in all points parallel. These are the Nurseries of Gods true Religion, and Seminaries of good Literature, that by the speciall favour and most grataous protection of our dread Soneraigne Lord that now is, lames, by the grace of God King of great Britaine, France, and Ireland, doe now injoy all peace and happiness.

Acad. Oxon.



872.

Elfred or Alured, King of West-Saxons, being addicted to Religion & good Literature, for the increase of the studie of Diuinite, Philosophie, and other Arts; in the second yeere of his reigne founded this Colledge by the name of the great Hall or Vniverstie Colledge, from the foundation whereof the Students were maintayned out of the Kings Exchequer, vntill King William the first, and seuenth Duke of Normandie, did take the same from them; by which meaneas both the Colledge for want of repayring, and the Students also were for many yeeres inforced to liue by the devotion of religious people: afterwards William Bishop of Durham, about the yeere 1217, repaired and endowed the same with new p[ro]p[ri]etie, therein established one Master, three Fellowes, and a Bible Clerke. But in processe of time, these 5. persons (either by deare, losse of Land, or both) were brought to three. Since by the bountie of Walter Skirlowe, Archdeacon of Durham, who gaue three Fellowships, Henry Percy Earle of Northumberland, who gaue other three, Robert Dudley late Earle of Leicester, John Fryston Esquier, Master Gunsey, Mistris Payne, and some other good Benefactors, this Colledge is much enlarged with buildings and reuenues. So as there is at this present in the same one Master, eight Fellowes, one Bible Clerke, with Officers and Seruants of the Foundation, besides other Students. The whole number being 69.

Iohn Balol, borne at Bernards Castle in the Bishoprick of Durham, with his wife Derworgilla, a Lady of honourable Parentage, being in her right Earle of Galloway and L.igh Constable of Scotland, parents of John Balol K[ing] of Scots, founded this Colledge in or neare the places where Margarets Hostle, Sparrowes Hall, WVell Hall, Mary Hall, Rose Hall, and Queens Hall, were most of them situated, giuing thereunto both lands and reuenues, for the maintenance of one Master, 10. Fellowes, 11. Scholars, which is recorded to be the first and most ancient endowd Colledge in this Vniverstie. But by reason of the Scottish wars in the reigne of King Edw. 1. the Students could not peaceably injoy the same, and (as some Authors haue written) about the same time it was made a place of restraint or prison, to detayn the laid Iohn Balol their Founder. It hath beene since by the liberaltie of Phil. Somersall and Margaret his wife, the Lady Ella Longefee Countesse of Salisb. Rich. de Hengore, Will. Lord Felton, Hugh de Vienna Knight, WV. Hamond Esquier, D. Bell Bisshop of Worcester. Peter Blundell Esquier, the Lady Elizabeth Periam, Th. Tisdale Esquier, Mary Dunch, John Browne, with diuers other benefactors, much increased with buildings and other ornaments: In which the number of Fellowes are vncertaine, and at the discretion of the Visitor, Master, and three Senior Fellowes, as the reuenues thereof doe increase or decrease, yet at this present there is in the same one Master, twelve Fellowes, thirteene Scholars, foure Exhibitors, besides Officers and Seruants of the Foundation, with many other students, being in all 136.

Walter de Merton, Canon of S. Pauls and Salisb. somtimes L. Chancell. of England, Councillor to King Hen. 3. and Edw. 1. after Bisshop of Rochester founded this Colledge by the name of Merton Colledge, indowing it in effect with all the lands and reuenues which at this present is belonging thereunto, ordayning in the same one Warden, and no diffini[n]t number of Fellowes. Since by the liberaltie of Iohn Williot, D. of Diuinite, Chancell. of Excest. (formerly Fellow of this Colledge) who gaue maintenance for 22. Scholars, whereof 9. shoulde serue the 9. Senior fellowes, and are by them to bee chosen (vpon which they were called Poste-masters) the other 3. shoulde serue all the Fellowes, and they are chosen by one who is yearely elected to be Rector of the junior Scholars; Th. Leach, Sir Th. Bodley Knight, a memorable benefactor to this Vniverstie. D. Wilson, John Chambers, D. Ieruice, D. Ieope, and the late worthy Warden Sir Hen. Sanill Knight, Provoost of Eaton, by whose procurement and care it hath beene much beautified and enlarged with faire buildings, books, and ornaments. Which Sir Henry hath erected two publike Mathematicke lectures, for the vse of the whole Vniverstie, one for to reade Geometricke, and the other Algorisme, endowing them with 160l. a piece per annum in perpetuum. Moreouer, he gaue by his last Will and Testament 600l. towards the purchasing of 40l. per annum for ever, to the Vice-Chancellor and the rest of the Officers of the Vniverstie, for their care and diligence to see these Lectures from time to time duly performed, according to his true intent and meaning. In this Colledge is at this present one Warden, 21. Fellowes, 14. Scholars, besides Officers and Seruants of the Foundation, with other students. The whole number being 79.

Walter Stapleton, being discended of w[or]thy Parentage (for his w[is]dom, grauitie, and learning, was often sent Embassellor for King Edward 2. who made him Bisshop of Excest, Lord Chancellor of England, and one of his priuie Councell) founded this Inne or Hall, by the name of Stapleton Inne. Which he endowed with Lands and Reuenues for the maintenance of one Rector, 13. Fellowes, out of which number one shoulde be yearly chosen to gouerne the rest; after in Anno 1352. Edm. Stafford Bisshop of Excest (brother of Ralph Earle Stafford) Lord Chancellor of England, gaue two fellowships, reformed the Statutes, altered the name thereof, and called it Excest Colledge. To this Colledge since, Sir Will. Peter Knight, principall Secretarie to Queene Elizabeth, gaue 8. fellowships, and augmented the wages of the Scholars of the first Foundation, to make them equal with his; and whereas formerly the wages of the Senior and Junior fellowes were vnequall. The said Sir Will. Peter, Dame Anne his wife, and John their sonne, now Lord Peter of Writtle in Essex, with some other Benefactors, gaue 200l. to make an equalitie of yearly wages amongst all the Fellowes, and John Periam, Sir John Ackland Knight, with other Benefactors, haue much increased the same with buildings and reuenues. In which Colledge there is at this present one Rector, 23. Fellowes, two Pensioners, and one Bible Clerke, besides Officers and Seruants of the foundation, with other Students. The whole number being 200.

MAGDALENE
COLL.
1458.



BRASEN-NOSE
COLL.
1515.



CORPUS CHRI-
STI COLL.
1516.



CHRIST
CHVRCH
COLL.



William Pattyn, commonly called Wainfleet, from the place of his birth, hauing been Preuest of Eaten mata Wind- for, and after being Bisshop of Winchester and Lord Chancellor of England, in the 37. yeere of the Raigne of King Henrie 6. founded this Colledge (where S. Johns Hosptall had formerly ben sited) dedicating the same to the honor of S. Marie Magdalene, endowing it with lands and reuenues for the maintenance of one President, 40. Fellowes, 30. Denies or Scholars, 4. Chaplains, 8. Clerks, and 16. Choristers: Since Thomas Englede Chaplaine to the Founder William Fitz-alen Earle of Arundell, John Forman Vicar of Rushton, Doct. Higden President, Doct. Preston, Will. Preston, Richard Barnes Vice-President, Richard Mabew President, Bisshop of Hereford, John Claymon President, Robert Morwett, Edward Arch-bisshop of Yorke, Richard Gilord, Sir Ambrose Caue Knight, Samuel Perot, John Williams Arch-deacon of Middlesex, Sir Richard Lee Knight, D. Bickley Bisshop of Chichester, and many others haue beene liberall Benefactors, but the number of Fellowes and Scholars neither haue beene nor can be increased: In which at this present is one President, 40. Fellowes, 30. Denies or Scholars, 4. Chaplains, 8. Clerks, 16. Choristers, 2. Schoole-masters, 2. Readers of Diuinite, naturall and morall Philosophie, besides diuers officers and seruants of the Foundation with other Students, being in all 151.

William Smith, borne at Farmeworth sometimes Fellow of Penbroke Hall in the Vniuerstie of Cambridge, Bisshop of Coven[r]ie and Lichfield translate to Lincolne, Lord President of Wales, for many yeres; five yeeres Chancellor of the Vniverstie of Oxford, in the fift yeere of the Raigne of King Henrie the Eight founded this Colledge by the name of Brasen-Nose Colledge, but he liued not to finish the same as he intended: wher unto since hath beene annexed Kings Hall, Black Hall, White Hall. After whose death, Richard Sutton Esquier, tooke vpon him to perfect the same, which he accomplished, wherein he established one Principal, and twelve Fellowes, maintayned partly by the charges of the Founder, and partly by his owne charges. But since by the liberaltie of William Cliffor, William Porter, John Elton alias Baker, Humfrey Ogle, Edward Darbie, John Claymons, John Williamson, Brian Higden, Alexander Neel Deane of Saint Pauls in the Cittie of London, Joyce Frankland, Richard Harper Justice of the Common Pleas, Sir John Porte Knight, the Lord Mordant, Doctor Barnston, George Palyn, and other goo[!]l Benefactors, this Colledge is much beautified with buildings and other ornaments, for the perfecting whereof there hath beene expended great summes of money within these few yeres past: and at this present there is in the same one Principal, twentie Fellowes, besides Scholars, Officers, and Seruants of the Foundation, with other Students, the whole number being 182.

Richard Fox Doct. of Law, Agent in France for King Henry 7. Lord Keeper of his Priuie Seal, principall Secretarie, and one of his Priuie Councill, Embassellor into Scotland, Bisshop of Exeter, Bath and Wells Durham, and Winchfetter; Godfather to King Henry 8. and then chosen Master of Pembroke Hall in the Vniverstie of Cambridge, 1507. Founded this Colledge by the name of Corpus Christi Colledge, in Anno 1516. which he endowed with lands and reuenues towards the maintenance of one President, nine:ene Fellowes, twentie Scholars, two Chaplins, two Clerkes, and two Choristers. To this Colledge Hugh Oldban Bisshop of Exeter, sometimes of Queens Colledge in Cambridge, Chaplaine to the Ladie Margaret Countesse of Richmond and Derbie, contributed so bountifully, that next after the Founder, he is entituled the principall Benefactor: Since by the liberaltie of John Claymon first President thereof, Master Mordent, William Freiss, Mifflis Moore, Doctor Reynolds, Sir George Saint-Paul Knight, and other good Benefactors, this Colledge is much beautified and adorned. And at this present there is in the same, one President, twentie Fellowes, twentie Scholars, sixe Clerkes, and two Choristers, besides Officers and Seruants of the Foundation, with other Students, the whole number being 61.

Thomas Wolsey Deane of Lincoln, Almoner to the King, Bisshop of Turney in France, after of Lincoln, Archbith. of York, Bisshop of Bath and Wells, Durham, and Winchfetter, Lo. Chancellor of England, Legat a Latere, and Cardinal titulo S. Cecilia: When he was in the height of his honors, laid the Foundation of this Colledge with the suppression of 40. Monasteries, by the name of Cardinals Colledge, where the ancient Monasterie of S. Fradeside had formerly beene sited, to which hee gaue godly lands and reuenues: but not long after, hee falling into a Premanire, had all his goods and lands, together with this his Colledge confiscated to King Henrie 8. who became the Founder thereof himselfe, calling it Collegium Christi ex fundatione Regis Henr. 8. making it the Cathedrall of his new Episcopall See, annexing to the same Canterbury Colledge, founded by Simon Iip Archbisshop of Canterbury, and Peckrator Inne, wherein hee established one Deane, 8. Canons, and 60. Students, 8. Chaplains, 8. Singing-men, 1. Organist, 8. Choristers, 3. publike Professors of Diuinite, Hebrew, and Greeke, 24. Almesmen, and a Free-schoole for Scholars, whose reuenues were by a visitacion in Queene Maries time conuerter to the maintenance of 40. Studets more, to make the full numb[er] of 100. Since Otho Nicholson one of the Examiners of the Chancerie, hath in building of a faire Librarie, and prouiding books for the same expended the sum of 800l. In which at this present is 1. Deane, 8. Canons, 100. Students, 8. Chaplins, 1. Organist, 8. Choristers, 3. publike Professors, 8. Singing men, 24. Almes-men besides Officers and Seruants of the Foundation, with other Students, The number 324.

ORIAL
COL.
1337.



QUEENES
COLL.
1340.



NEW COL-
LEDGE.
1375.



LINCOLNE
COLL.
1420.



ALL SOULS
COLLEGE.
1437.



King Edward 2. (called Edm. of Carnaruan, began the foundation of this Colledge, by the procurement of Adam Browne Clarke, Almoner to the said King, dedicating the same to the honor of the blessed Virgin Mary, calling it the House or Hall of S. Mary the Virgin (vulgo Oriall Colledge) which he endowed with Lands and Revenues, for the maintenance of one Prouost and 10. Fellowes. But afterwards by the liberalitie of Richard Dudley (who gaue maintenance for two fellowships, and 12. Exhibitioners or Peniters, John Carpenter Bishop of Worcester, who gaue one fellowship; Will. Smith Bishop of Lincoln, who gaue one fellowship. The aforesnamed Adam Browne, who was first Prouost, was also a great benefactor. King Edward 3. gaue the Hospitall of S. Bartholomew neare Oxford, Anthony Blinck Doctor of Law, late Prouost, bestowed 1200l. in building the forefront, but diuers other benefactors, this Colledge is much increased. Moreover, our dread Soueraigne Lord King James that now is, being informed that the Title of the foundation thereof with the Lands thereunto belonging, were in question and subiect to euiction; hath confirmed by his Letters Patents a fure estate of the same. Wherein at this present is one Prouost, 18. Fellowes, 12. Peniters or Exhibitioners, one Bible Clerke, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with other students. The whole number being 105.

Robert Egylfield, Bachelor of Dunn, Caplaine to Queene Philip, wife to King Edward 3. founded this Colledge in his Cowne ground, by the name of Queenes Colledge (commending the Patronage thereof to his Lady the Queene, and to the Queenes of England successively) which he endowed with lands and revenues, for the maintenance of one Prouost and 12. Fellowes, which Fellowes were to be augmented as the revenues increased. But since by the bountie of King Edward 3. who gaue the Hospitall of S. Iuliian in Southampton, commonly called Gods House. King Edward 4. who gaue the Priorie of Sherborne in Hampshire, Rob. Langton, Th. Langton Bishop of Winchf. Edm. Grindall Archb. of Cant. who gaue 20l. per annum, for the maintenance of one Fellow and two Scholars, Christopher Cambridge late Prouost, and Archb. of Yorke, Will. Fetiplace Esquier, Hen. Robinsone late Prouost, Bishop of Carlile, Doct. Ayrie late Prouost, and diuers other good benefactors, the number of Students are much increased. Moreouer, our late Soueraigne Lady Queene Elizabeth, in the third yeere of her raigne, being informed that the Title of the Foundation thereof, with the Lands thereunto belonging, were in question and subiect to euiction, by Act of Parliament confirmed a fure estate of the same. In which at this present is one Prouost, 14. Fellowes, 7. Scholars, 2. Caplains, 2. Clerks, and 14. other Scholars vnder Graduates, called by the Founder servientes ad Mensum, or Sociorum Ministris, besides Officers and Servants of the foundation, with other students, being in all 160.

William Wickham, alias Perot, Rector of S. Martins le grand, and after Deane there, Archdec. of Lincolne, Northamp. and Buckingham, Prouost of Wells, and Prebend of 12. feuerall places, principall Secretarie to King Edward 3. Keeper of the priuie Seale, Bishop of Winchester, L. high Treasurer and Chancell. of England, in the 49. yeere of the same Kings reigne founded this Colledge, dedicating the same to God the Father and the blessed Virgin Mary, which he endowed with Lands and Revenues, for the maintenance of a Warden, 70. Fellowes and Scholars, 10. Chaplains, 6. Clerks, 1. Organist, 16. Choristers, besides Officers and Servants. And before he buldled the same, hee gaue exhibition to 50. Scholars for the space of 10. in this Vniuersitie. He also founded a Colledge at Winchester, wherein hee established one Warden, 10. Fellowes, 2. Schoole-masters, and 70. Scholars, with Officers and Servants, which were also maintayned at his charge. Out of which Schoole he ordyned shold be chosen the best Scholars, alwayes to supply the vacant places of the Fellows of this Colledge. Since by the bountie of Master Rawlins, Sir Rich. Read Knight, Doct. Newman, Doct. Reese late Warden, D. Maria, Rob. Bell, D. Smith, and others, this Colledge is much enriched with Plate, Books, and other ornaments. In which at this present is one Warden, 70. Fellowes and Scholars, 10. Caplains, 3. Clerks, one Organist, 16. Choristers, besides Officers and Servants of the foundation, with other Students. The whole number being 135.

Richard Fleming, Doct. of Diuinitie, the 22. Bishop of Lincolne, in the 8. yeere of the reigne of King Hen. 5. founded this Colledge by the name of Lincolne Colledge, which he endowed with Lands and Revenues, for the maintenance of one Rector, 7. Fellowes, and 2. Chaplains; after John Forst Deane of Wells, Th. Beckington Bishop of Bath and Wells, John Southam Archdeac. of Oxford, Will. Fiderne Esquier, Hen. Beauford Bishop of Winchf., Cardin. of S. Eusebius, John Buckton and John Croby augmented the same. In the yeere 1479. Tho. Scot alias Rotheram, fellow of Kings Colledge, Chaplaine and Lord priuie Seale to King Edward 4. Prouost of Beaufer, Bishop of Rochester after of Lincolne (and then chosen Master of Pembroke Hall in Cambridge) Archb. of Yorke, L. Chancell. of England, Chancell. of the Vniuersitie of Cambridge, and Secretarie to four Kings when he was Bishop of Lincolne, did much enlarge, and finally perfect the buildings of the same, adding to the former number 5. Fellowships. Since Walter Bate, Edmund Darby, William Dagull, William Atwater Bishop of Lincolne, Edmund Audley, Ioane Trap, Richard Killy late Rector, with diuers other good Benefactors, have much increased the same. Wherein at this present is one Rector, 15. Fellowes, two Chaplains, and fourre Scholars, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with other Students: being in all 72.

Henry Chicheley, Doct. of the Ciuitall Lawes, Chancell. of Salis. Bishop of S. Davids, after Archb. of Cant. Cardin. of S. Eusebius, and the Popes Legate, in the 15. yeere of the reigne of King Hen. 6. founded this Colledge by the name of All Soulles Colledge (procuring of the said King Henry to give thereto 4. Priors Alians, namely, Alberbury, Rumney, Weden-Pinkney, and Langenib) the building whereof hee perfected in such forme as it still remayneth, endowing the same with Lands and Revenues for the maintenance of one Warden, and 40. Fellowes, whereof 24. shold be Diuines, and the rest Students of the Ciuitall Law, appointing by Statute that the number of Fellowes shold never be augmented nor imparied, and that once in every yeere no place shold be void of his fortis fellowships. He also gaue Lands for the maintenance of Chaplains, Clerks, and Choristers, without number. Much about the same time he buldled and endowed with Lands and Revenues another Colledge in Oxford, dedicating the same to S. Bernard, which in the reigne of King Hen. 8. amongst many others was suppressed. Since Reginald Poole, Card. and Archb. of Cant. Sir Will. Peter sometimes fellow of this Colledge, priuie counsellor to King Hen. 8. King Edward, Queene Mary, and Queene Elizabeth, haue beene benefactors to the same. And our late Queene Elizabeth confirmed by Letters Patents to this Colledge, the Parsonage of Hare-Court. Wherein there is at this present one Warden, 40. Fellowes, two Chaplains, three Clerks, sixe Choristers, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with other Students. The whole number being 65.

TRINITIE
COLL.
1556.



S. JOHNS
COLL.
1557.



IESVS COLL.
1572.



WADHAM.
COLL.
1613.



Sir Thomas Pope Knight founded this Colledge in the fourth yeere of the Raigne of King Philip and Queene Marie, dedicating the same to the holy and iudicuall Trinitie, (where about the yeere 1350. Thomas Hatfield Secretarie to King Edward the Third, afterwards Bishop of Durham, had formerly buldled a Colledge called Durhams Colledge, which was endowd with certayne lands by the gift of the Founder, and Robert Walworth Prior of Durham for the maintenance of 8. Monkes, and 7. Clerkes, such as shold be thought fit to come thereto from Durkam,) which old Colledge being by continuall of time exceedingly decayed and ruined. The said Sir Thomas Pope Knight, obtained to erect his new Colledge on, endowing the same with luds and possessions for the maintenance of one President, 12. Fellowes, and 12. Scholars: Since by the liberalitie of the Laie Elizabeth Pawlet, and many other worthie and well affected Benefactors the same is much beautified with buildings, booke, and other ornaments, for the perfecting whereof there hath bee spent great summes of money, wherein there is at this present, one President, 12. Fellowes, 12. Scholars, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with many other Students, the whole number being 123.

Sir Thomas White Knight, Citizen of London, in the fourth and fift yeeres of the Raigne of King Philip and Queene Marie, founded this Colledge, dedicating the same to the Honour of Saint John Baptisit, (in the place where Henrie Chicheley Doctor of the Ciuitall Lawes, Bishop of Saint Davids, Arch-bishop of Canterbury, Cardinall of Saint Eusebius, and the Popes Legate, in the fifteenth yeere of the Raigne of King Henrie the Sixt, had formerly buldled a Colledge dedicated to Saint Bernard) endowing the same with certayne lands and revenues for the maintenance of one President, fiftie Fellowes and Scholars, three Chaplaines, fourre Clerkes, and sixe Choristers: but since by the bountie of the Worthie Companie of Merchant-Taylors in general, and diuers of them in particular, Sir William Crasen Knight, Merchant-taylor and Alderman of London, Sir William Padde Knight, Doctor of Physike sometimes Communer of this Colledge, Master Henfaw; and fundrie other liberall Benefactors there hath bee a faire Librarie erected, finished, and furnished with many and great store of worthie Booke, and the Colledge much beautified and adorned; wherein is at this present one President, fiftie Fellowes and Scholars, one Chaplaine, one Clerke, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with other Students, the whole number being 123.

Hugh Price Doctor of the Ciuitall Lawes, Treasuror of Saint Davids, procured the Foundation of this Colledge on the ground where Whyle Hall had formerly beeene situated, which was given with the edifices and gardens thereto belonging by Queene Elizabeth, who is the true Foundresse thereof, being lo stiled in the Mortmaine by her confirmed 27. Iunij, Anno Regni sui 13. Collegium Iesu, infra Cittatem & Universitatem Oxon, ex fundatione Regina Elizabethae, wherein shillie established one Principall, eight Fellowes, and eight Scholars; and Hugh Price is only stiled a Benefactor, who buldled one part thereof: Since by the bountie of Herbert Welphaling Bishop of Hereford, Henrie Rewland Bishop of Bangor, Griffith Lloyd Doctor of Law, Griffith Powell, and John Williams Doctor of Divinitie, late Principall; Sir Embelle Thelwell Knight, now Principall of the same, who hath made the Court in a manner tourre-square, by bulding and wainscoting the Hall, perfecting the Chappell with a curious and costly roofe, glasse, and all other things necessarie for so sacred a place, and many other godly ornaments, with other good Benefactors, it is much increased with Students, and hath at this present in the same, one Principall, sixteene Fellowes, and sixteene Scholars, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with other Students, the whole number being 105.

Nicholas Wadham late of Myrefield in the Countie of Somerset Esquier, in the 11. yeere of the raigne of our Soueraigne Lord King James that now is, founded this Colledge, (but died before he could bring it to perfection,) bequeathing by Will 6000l. towards the building, and 350l. per annum towards the endowment, before his death, giving directions to Dorothie his wife, sister to John L. Peter of Writle, for the finishing of the same: who in testimonie of her loue to her late husband; since hath erected and perfected in such faire and ample manner as no Colledge in this Vniuersitie for the quanttie doth exceed the same, expending 6000l. more in the building thereof, and adding 350l. per annum more of her owne gift towards the endowing and setting a perpetuall estate of her owne and late husbands, in present and to come, of 700l. per annum, for the maintenance of one Warden, 15. Fellowes, 15. Scholars, 2. Chaplaines, and 2. Clerkes, furnishing them with farruieable Officers and other necessarie ornaments, fit for such a Societie. To which Colledge since Philip Biffe Doctor of Diuinitie, Canon of the Chappell of Wells gaue 2500. bookes for their Librarie, valued at 1700l. Wherein at this present is one Warden, 15. Fellowes, 15. Scholars, 2. Chaplaines, 2. Clerkes, besides Officers and Servants of the Foundation, with many other Students, the whole number being 129.

Here bee also in this Vniuersitie eight Halls, in which there are many Students living at their owne charges: viz. Broadgate Hall was in the tenure of the Priorie and Couent of S. Frideswiche, and had vnder it Nun Hall, Myne Hall, &c. wherein is resident a Principall and Students &c. 107. Gloucester Hall was first built by John Lord Gifford for the Monkes of Gloucester to studie in, after it was augmented by the monasterie of the Order of S. Benedict, for their Benedictine Monkes, and lastly converted to a House for Scholars by Sir Thomas White Knight; wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 52. Edmond Hall was built by S. Edmond Arch-bishop of Canterbury, wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 44. S. Albons Hall was builded by the Abbots of S. Albons for their Monks to studie in, wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 55. Hart Hall was builded by Walter Stapleton Bishop of Excester, for Students: wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 85. New Ione now in the tenure of New Colledge heretofore called Timokes Ione, wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 10. S. Marie Hall was founded by King Edward the Second, wherein is resident a Principall, and Students &c. 85. Magdalene Hall was founded by William Warfleit Bishop of Winchester, wherein is resident a Principall, Students and Officers 298.

The total number of Students of all degrees in this Vniuersitie, having Names in every particular Colledge with the Magistrates and daily Officers thereto belonging, are 2850. besides diuers yong Scholars that are received thereto, which haue no names in any Colledge, as aforesaid.

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